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STATE OF ARIZONA OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

September 17, 2007

WILLIAM THOMSON DEPUTY AUDITOR GENERAL

Governing Board Laveen Elementary School District No. 59 P.O. Box 29 Laveen, AZ 85339-0029

Members of the Board:

In our February 22, 2007, compliance review report we notified you that the District had not complied with the *Uniform System of Financial Records* (USFR) for the year ended June 30, 2005.

We have since reviewed the District's audit reports and USFR Compliance Questionnaire for the year ended June 30, 2006, to determine whether the District was in compliance with the USFR as of that date. Based solely on our review of these documents, the District has complied with the USFR.

However, we noted that the District still had numerous internal control deficiencies cited by its auditors in the management letter and the USFR Compliance Questionnaire. These deficiencies indicate that the District's internal controls are still especially weak in the areas of student attendance reporting and ensuring compliance with the School District Procurement Rules (*Arizona Administrative Code* R7-2-1001 et seq) and guidelines for competitive purchasing below the dollar limits required for sealed bids (USFR pages VI-G-8 and 9).

Although the cited deficiencies do not cause substantial noncompliance, the District must take corrective action to continue to satisfactorily comply with the USFR.

If you have questions concerning the deficiencies or how to correct them, or would like a written summary of deficiencies with recommendations for correction, please call Magdalene Haggerty, Accounting Services Director, or Gregg Rickert, Accounting Services Manager, at (602) 553-0333.

Sincerely,

Debra K. Davenport Auditor General

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 Laveen Elementary School District No. 59
 The Honorable Sandra E. Dowling, Maricopa County School Superintendent
 Ms. Vicki G. Salazar, Associate Superintendent of Financial Services
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